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In response to that Office Action, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE TITLE

Please amend the title to read: --COMPUTER PERIPHERAL APPARATUS WITH POWER SUPPLY CONTROL--.

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend Claims 1-3, 5-9 and 11 as follows:

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1. (Amended) Peripheral apparatus which can be connected to computer apparatus, comprising:

detecting means for detecting a voltage level of a signal line connected to a personal computer;

power supply control means for controlling a supply of an electric power from a power source to a predetermined circuit in accordance with an output of said detecting means;

[communication request] discriminating means for [judging] discriminating whether or not a communication request of a predetermined procedure has been received from the personal computer after the electric power of the power source was supplied to [a] the predetermined [power consumption unit] circuit by said power supply control means [or not]; and

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control means for [deciding the power supply executed by said power supply control means on the basis of the judgment result of said communication request discriminating means] continuing the supply of the electric power from the power supply once said discriminating means discriminates a presence of the communication request.

2. (Amended) [Apparatus] An apparatus according to claim 1, wherein said detecting means detects a logic level of a data line arranged between [said] the personal computer and said [periphery] peripheral apparatus and said communication request discriminating means detects the presence or absence of the communication request at [said] the logic level detected by said detecting means.

3. (Amended) An apparatus according to claim 2, wherein [said] the data line and a line for the power supply are separately provided.

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5. (Amended) An apparatus according to Claim 4, wherein said [communication request] discriminating means [judges] determined whether [said] or not the electronic camera has been operated by an operator or controlled by the personal computer [or not], and said control means executes a control in accordance with a result of [said] the judgment.

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6. (Amended) An apparatus according to claim 2, wherein said detecting means and discriminating means use the

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signal level transmitted through [said] the data line as a power source.

7. (Amended) A camera which can be connected to a computer apparatus, comprising:

recording means for recording a photographed image;

detecting means for detecting a level of a data line which is connected to a personal computer;

discriminating means for judging whether or not an input signal is a predetermined command from [said] the personal computer [or not in accordance with an output of said detecting means];

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image output means for outputting image data recorded by said recording means to [said] the personal computer; and

control means for [controlling a power supply to said recording means and said image output means in accordance with a judgment result of said discriminating means] starting a supply of an electric power to said recording means and said image output means according to a detection result of said detecting means, and then controlling the supply of the electric power according to a discrimination result of said discriminating means so as to continue the supply of the electric power once the predetermined command is discriminated by said discriminating means, and to stop in the case where the predetermined command is not discriminated by said discriminating means.

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8. (Amended) A camera according to claim 7,
wherein said detecting means detects a logic level of the
data line arranged between [said] the personal computer and
said camera and said discriminating means detects the
presence or absence of a communication request at [said] the
logic level detected by said detecting means.

9. (Amended) A camera according to claim 7,
wherein [said] the data line and a line for the power supply
are separately provided.

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11. (Amended) A camera according to claim 7,
wherein said detecting means and said discriminating means
use the signal level transmitted through [said] the data line
as a power source.

REMARKS

Claims 1-11 are now presented for examination.

Claims 1-3, 5-9 and 11 have been amended to define still more
clearly what Applicant regards as his invention, in terms
which distinguish over the art of record, and in particular
to overcome the formal rejection. The title has been amended
to make it more descriptive, as required in the Office
Action.

Claims 1 and 7 are independent.

Claims 1-3 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 102(e)
as anticipated by U.S. Patent 5,594,672 (Hicks). Claim 6 was
rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as obvious from Hicks.